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20th anniversary of Asha Kirana Charitable Trust

State-of-the-art TB Testing Machine dedicated

President of AIDS Society of India Dr. I.S. Gilada and Founder of Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement Dr. R. Balasubramaniam are seen lighting the lamp to inaugurate the 20th anniversary of Asha Kirana Charitable Trust in city this morning as patrons Susan Baraz and Hossien Farmani, Dr. K.S. Sachdeva, Dr. S.N. Mothi, Dr. R.S. Gupta, Mehinder Sharma and K.S. Guru Raja look on.

Mysuru, Dec. 10 (KS)- Asha Kirana Charitable Trust, a non-profit organisation providing counselling services, care and support for people living with HIV/AIDS since 1997, celebrated its 20th anniversary by dedicating a state-of-the-art Gene Xpert equipment at an event organised at a convention centre this morning.

The Gene Xpert is a new test for tuberculosis (TB) that can diagnose if a person is infected and also if the TB bacterium is resistant to one of the common TB drugs - Rifampicin.

The equipment was contributed from CSR grants of Kluber Lubrication India, Mysuru with support from CEPHEID India, New Delhi and the machine costs about Rs. 27 lakh.

Earlier, the programme was inaugurated by dignitaries including Founder of Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement Dr.R. Balasubramaniam, Deputy Director Generals of National Aids Control Organisation (NACO) Dr. R.S. Gupta and Dr. K.S. Sachdeva.

(See TESTING MACHINE on page 11)

Brace up to shell out Re. 1 per unit of electricity

Escoms demand increase between Rs. 1.08 & Rs. 1.65 per unit

Bengaluru, Dec. 10- Electricity consumers across the State will have to shell out at least Re. 1 per unit more for 2018-19 if the electricity supply companies (Escoms) have their way.

The Escoms, which have to approach the Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (KERC) annually for revision of tariffs, have sought hikes ranging between Rs. 1.23 and Rs. 1.65 per unit of power this year.

While BESCOM (Bengaluru) has sought a hike of Rs. 1.45 per unit, CESC (Mysuru) has sought Rs. 1.36 per unit, MESCOM (Mangaluru) has sought an increase of Rs. 1.08 per unit and HESCOM (Hubballi) has asked for a hike of Rs. 1.23. GESCOM (Gulbarga) has sought Rs. 1.65 per unit, the highest in the list. In a significant departure from tradition, all Escoms have asked for different tariff revisions this year.

Sources in KERC revealed that the companies were seeking higher tariffs owing to an increase in power purchase costs as well as system augmentation and upgradation. The government had announced short-term power purchase recently to cope with the shortfall in power due to non-availability of coal for generation. Last year, KERC had approved a hike of 48 paise per unit on an average as against the Rs. 1.48 increase per unit hike sought by all Escoms.

This year, the companies are seeking a differential hike in tariff, a move which experts say will prove detrimental to companies which have more non-paying consumers. The brunt of the hike will have to be borne by industries and commercial companies which may then seek to leave the region in favour of other cheaper cities, they explained. KERC will now seek clarifications on the tariff petitions before announcing the schedule for public hearings. The entire process is expected to take 90 days.

Srikanta Datta Narasimharaja Wadiyar remembered

Mysuru, Dec.10 (US&MTY)- Marking the 4th death anniversary of Srikanta Datta Narasimharaja Wadiyar, a solemn function was organised this morning at 'Madhuvana' on Mysuru-Nanjangud road here.

Palace 'Mughdastha' Mahendra Raje Urs performed the formal rituals after offering floral tributes to the portrait of Wadiyar at the Samadhi.

Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subramanya, Aramane Ulisi Horata Samithi Convenor Subramanya Raje Urs and others were present.

Members of various organisations too offered floral tributes to the portrait of Wadiyar.

Later *prasada* was distributed to all those present.

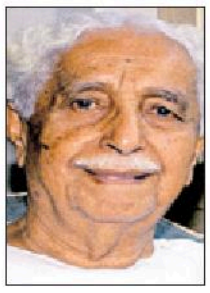
STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."
Editor-in-Chief: K.B. GANAPATHY B.A; B.L.
Mysuru, Sunday 10th December 2017

114th birth anniversary of Kuvempu

Entries invited for Gamaka and Geethagayana contest

Mysuru, Dec.10 (US)- Sri Kuvempu Vidyavardhaka Trust will be celebrating the 114th birth anniversary of Rashtrakavi Kuvempu during the last week of December.



As part of the celebrations, a Gamaka and Geethagayana contest will be held on Dec. 28 at 10.30 am at the Trust premises in Jayalakshmipuram here.

The Gamaka will be on *Sri Ramayana Darshanam* and *Kumaravyasa Bharata* and Geethagayana on poems of Kuvempu.

Those desirous to participate should register their names before Dec. 28. Other than individuals, organisations too can send the participants for the contest.

The cash prizes for the first three winners of Gamaka contest will be Rs. 2,250, Rs. 1,750 and Rs. 1,250 while for the Geethagayana it will be Rs.1,250, Rs. 1,000 and Rs. 850. For details call Ph: 0821-2510147.

Bavar-Prasad Memorial Science Quiz: On the eve of Poet Laureate Kuvempu's birth anniversary, Sri Kuvempu Vidyavardhaka Trust has also organised a Bavar-Prasad Memorial Science Quiz competition for High School and PU College students at Sri Vivekananda PU College Campus in Jayalakshmipuram on Dec.28 (Thursday) at 10.30 am.

Attractive cash prizes and certificates will be given to the winning students [First prize- 3,500; second prize- 2,500; third prize- 2,000]. Certificates and prizes will be distributed on Dec. 29 at the valedictory function.

Students from each school and college can enroll only one team with four candidates.

Those interested may register before Dec. 28.

For details contact Mob: 95380-07662 or 99456-37259 or 82771-59514.

Link Aadhaar for Social Security Schemes by Dec.30

Mysuru, Dec.10- The district authorities have begun Aadhaar linking in city for disbursement of monetary benefits under various Social Security Schemes such as old age pension, Sandhya Suraksha, widow pension, Maitri and honorarium for the disabled.

The beneficiaries, who have not linked Aadhaar, should present copies of pension sanction letter, M.O. Receipt, Bank/Post Office pass book and Aadhaar card at Taluk Panchayat Office, Room No.5, Mini Vidhana Soudha, Nazarbad, before Dec. 30.

Failing to do so will result in discontinuation of disbursement of benefits, according to a press release from the Mysuru Taluk Tahsildar.

Calling Aadhaar registration agencies

Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep has instructed all private agencies registering the public for Aadhaar to function only from Government buildings.

Agencies failing to move to government buildings before December 2017, will be notified to the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) for blocking their station ID.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

[Courtesy: The Hindu]

NEWS SPARKLERS

This kid lives only on peaches!

Quebec: Sometimes, when you tuck into your favourite meal, you may go, "Wow, I could eat nothing else for the rest of my days!" Could you really? This might be the case with Micah Gabriel Masson Lopez — a two-year-old boy from Montreal, Canada who lives only on peaches. He suffers from a serious condition called Food-Protein Induced Enterocolitis Syndrome (FPIES), which causes a severe allergy to virtually any food other than peaches. In addition to FPIES, he suffers from an immunodeficiency called DiGeorge syndrome and a rare genetic condition known as *15Q13.3* micro-duplication. Every month, his parents have to take him to nine different specialists, and the medical costs are taking a heavy toll. So is the cost of ensuring a steady supply of peaches, a problem to find off-season in Quebec. His parents are so desperate that they have launched a crowd funding campaign to raise money that will help them with all the expenses.

Artist creates Persian carpet-like paintings

Florida: A Miami based artist creates stunningly detailed paintings that look like real Persian rugs. Jason Seife, who is a muralist and a graphic designer, began developing the intricate pictures in 2015 as a form of self-expression, but also as a nod to his Middle-Eastern roots.

Each dizzyingly elaborate piece is ink and acrylic, and feature the floral motifs and geometrical shapes seen on the large floor coverings. Accordingly, Seife weaves his moods and mindsets into his work, choosing colours and patterns that represent his mental and emotional mindset at the time.

"I've always been attracted to the designs of Persian rugs, both aesthetically and for the symbolism that goes into them. Part of my background is Middle Eastern, so it's something that was rooted in me from birth," Seife said. Seife recently collaborated with Nike and Kobe Bryant to adorn a pair of Air Force 1s with his intricate patterns, and the result is a work of art that should be displayed rather than worn.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

Will drinking orange juice harm my teeth?

Because orange juice is highly acidic, it can be harmful to tooth enamel, especially when consumed on a daily basis. Excessive consumption of orange juice can reduce the hardness of tooth enamel by up to 84%. It is advisable to rinse your mouth out with water after drinking orange juice.

**Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Global DMS Alumni Meet

Mysuru, Dec.10- The 9th Global DMS Alumni get-together will be held at Hotel Le Ruchi (Rooftop), Hunsur Road, on Dec. 16 at 7 pm. The annual meeting of the Association along with fun and games will be held at the school premises at 10.30 am on Dec.17. There will also be a cricket match post-lunch. Spot registrations are also available.

For details contact Mob: 95385-85798, 90353-50033 and 98451-82128 or visit *https://www.facebook.com/events/1958301594384077*

Wins Most Promising Business Leaders of Asia Award-2017

Malabar Group Chairman M.P. Ahammed receiving the Business Excellence Award from Malaysian Industrial and International Trade Minister Dato Sri Mustapa Bin Mohammed as Indian High Commissioner for Malaysia T.S. Tirumurti and Bennett, Coleman and Company Limited (BCCL) President Deepak Lamba look on.

Kozhikode/ Kuala Lumpur, Dec.10 - Malabar Group Chairman MP Ahammed has been selected for the most promising Business Leaders in Asia Award-2017 by *The Economic Times* Daily. He has been selected for the award along with other top corporate leaders in the gold and diamond business category. He was the only business personality considered for the award from Kerala.

The announcement was made at The Economic Times Asian Business Leaders Conclave 2017 held at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Really...?

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- ***Be it because of religious reasons or personal choices or both, around 20-40% of Indians are vegetarians, making it the largest vegetarian-friendly country in the world.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

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1 US Dollar	= Rs. 64.48
1 UK Pound	Rs. 86.32
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 17.56
1 Euro	= Rs. 75.87

No matter what, Your guidance each day, is my strength
and will always be! Every moment is cherished and treasured.!

Pramoda Devi Wadiyar

NEWS BRIEFS

Diabetes check-up camp

Suyog Hospital has organised a free Diabetes Mellitus screening camp from Dec. 11 to 16 from 8 am to 1.30 pm at its premises in Ramakrishnanagar. Those with symptoms of frequent urination, thirst, extreme fatigue, blur vision and weight loss may make use of the camp. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2566966 or Mob: 87628-50960.

Fellowship

Karnataka Yakshagana Academy, under its scheme for tribes, is offering fellowship for scheduled tribe candidates who have taken up research work on Yakshagana. A sum of Rs. 90,000 will be offered to the candidate for research work and an honorarium of Rs. 10,000 for the Guide. The candidates should be below 45 years. The application should be sent before Dec. 20 to Registrar, Karnataka Yakshagana Academy, 2nd Floor, Kannada Bhavan, JC Road, Bengaluru-2 or mail to kybabangalore@gmail.com. For details call Ph: 0821-2513225 or mail to kannadasamskruthimysore@gmail.com

Tribal welfare

District office of Valmiki ST development Corporation has invited application from Adivasi tribes for several welfare schemes. The application can be obtained from the said office and submitted with necessary documents before Dec. 23. For more details call 0821-2430022.

Pre-matric scholarship

Social Welfare Department has invited applications from children of parents of any community involved in working in unhygienic conditions for Pre-matric scholarships of the union government. For applications log on to. www.sw.kar.nic.in and call Ph: 0821-2344661 for details.

Discourse series on Ramayana

Sri Vedavidya Prasarini Sabha has organised a 20-day discourse series on Ramayana from Dr. K.S. Narayanacharya at Sarada Vilas Centenary Auditorium, Krishnamurthypuram. The discourse begins from Dec.12 to Jan. 1 at 6.15 pm every day, according to press release from Sabha President C.V. Keshavamurthy.

Awareness Camp

JSS Hospital has organised a breast cancer awareness programme at Surgical Oncology OPD on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Free consultation for three weeks from Dec.11 to 28 at its premises from 9am to 4pm. For details, contact Ph:0821-2335125 or Mob: 82965-97268.

Six killed in four separate accidents

Guruprasad Siddashetty Mahendra

Mysuru, Dec.10 - Just a day after 6 persons were killed in 3 road accidents that took place in Srirangapatna, Saragur and T. Narasipur Police Station limits on Friday, six more persons were killed in four separate accidents that occurred on Saturday at Bannur, Bellur (Nagamangala) T. Narasipur and K.R. Traffic Police Station limits in Mysuru.

In the first incident, a man and his son were killed when the motorcycle they were travelling, was knocked down by a goods auto on Bannur-Mandya Road in the early hours of Saturday.

The deceased are Siddashetty (60) and his son Mahendra (32), of Banugodi in T. Narasipura.

Siddashetty and Mahendra were returning from Kirugavalu after selling tomatoes at 5 am, when the Hero Honda motorcycle (KA55/S 5875) they were travelling was knocked down by a goods auto (KA55/7674) near Adichunchanagiri School.

While Mahendra was killed on the spot, Siddashetty was rushed to K.R. Hospital in Mysuru where he breathed his last.

In the second accident, 2 persons were killed and eight sustained injuries when two cars collided near Bellur cross on Bengaluru-Mangaluru highway on Saturday. The deceased are Pradeep of Bengaluru and Divya of Belur in Hassan district.

Shivanandashetty of Bellur was travelling in his Maruti car (KA53/MC/2120) along with his family members and sister Divya, when the car went out of control and overshot the divider and rammed into a Honda car (KA02/MK/9071) coming in the opposite direction.

Due to impact, Pradeep, the driver of Honda car was killed on the spot, while Divya who was rushed to nearby Adichunchanagiri Hospital died later.

Also, eight other occupants of the two cars, who sustained injuries, are being treated.

The scene of the accident at Bellur Cross in Nagamangala.

Wipro salesman killed

In another accident, a 42-year-old man was killed on the spot when the motorcycle he was riding was knocked down by a Bolero on T. Narasipur-Chamarajanagar road. The deceased is Guruprasad (42) of T. Narasipur.

Guruprasad who was said to be a Wipro salesman was returning to T. Narasipur after dropping his family members at a Chamarajanagar village, when the speeding Bolero (KA55/5462) fatally knocked him down near Alagudu Bore.

Sadvidya student killed

A Sadvidya PU College student was killed, while two other fellow students sustained injuries when the scooter they were travelling rammed into an electric pole on Ring road.

The deceased is Dhanush (18), a resident of Vidyaranyapuram while Srinivas and Darshan sustained grievous injuries. The students were travelling in a Honda Activa Scooter (KA09/HH9917) to a resort on H.D. Kote road, when the scooter rammed into a high mast electric pole near the silk farm on Ring Road.

Supari case: Police on hot chase of hitman Viju Badiger

Firearms recovered from contract killers sent for forensic test; Ravi Belagere's Police custody ends tomorrow

Bengaluru, Dec. 10 - The Central Crime Branch (CCB) Police in Bengaluru are on the lookout for Viju Badiger, the brother-in-law of Shashidhar Ramachandra Mundawadagi, allegedly hired by arrested Kannada tabloid *'Hai Bangalore'* Editor Ravi Belagere to murder Sunil Heggaravalli, one of his former employees.

In his statement to the Police, Mundawadagi said that Belagere had called him in August and asked him to kill Heggaravalli as he had allegedly developed intimacy with Belagere's second wife. Mundawadagi told the Police that he had told Belagere that he would take care of the planning and Viju Badiger would carry out the execution.

Viju is now on the run and the Police have spread a dragnet to arrest him as he is Accused Number 3 in this case. While Belagere has been named as Accused 2, Mundawadagi has been listed as Accused Number 1. Viju Badiger's arrest is crucial for the CCB Police to establish the crime and build strong evidence against the accused.

Belagere's Police custody ends tomorrow and while his lawyers are preparing to seek bail, the Police are presenting a case for the extension of custody so that the high-profile journalist can be interrogated further.

FIREARMS SENT FOR TESTS

Meanwhile, the firearms recovered from Mundawadagi and arms supplier Tahir Hussain have been sent for forensic test. The weapons have been sent for the test to ascertain the possible involvement of the duo in the killing of senior journalist Gauri Lankesh, who was shot dead at her house in Bengaluru on September 5, they said.

The Special Investigation Team (SIT) probing the case questioned suspected arms supplier Tahir Hussain, who said he had supplied a pistol to sharpshooter Mundawadagi.

"At this point, it is difficult to say whether Tahir Hussain and Mundawadagi had a hand in Gauri Lankesh's murder. The weapon found in the possession of the sharp-shooters has been sent to the Forensic Science Laboratory," said an official.

CCB GRILLS BELAGERE

The CCB sleuths are grilling Ravi Belagere day-in-and-day-out. Belagere is currently lodged at the CCB headquarters. A team headed by a DCP and ACP began the interrogation yesterday morning. A senior officer from the CCB said that during the interrogation Belagere had confessed to a personal rivalry with his former colleague Sunil Heggaravalli. But he told the Police that he had not given his weapon to sharpshooter Shashidhar Mundawadagi.

"It is too early to reveal the details of our investigation as we are gathering all evidence to establish that Belagere had given 'Supari' to Mundawadagi to kill Heggaravalli. We believe that it is a well-planned crime and efforts are on to nab some more accused in the sensational case," the officer said. During interrogation, Belagere reportedly asked the Police for blank papers in order to write down his statement for the CCB. The officer added, "He also kept asking for cigarettes but the ACP did not allow him to smoke repeatedly."

MORE ON MUNDAWADAGI

Police sources said that the plot to kill Heggaravalli was hatched in 2014. Shashidhar Mundawadagi had worked as a security supervisor at Prarthana School run by Belagere and also as a helper at the tabloid office.

Mundawadagi was involved in crimes in Bagalkot and Belagavi and came in contact with Belagere when the journalist was writing a book in 2001. Belagere also helped him secure bail and provided some legal help. He soon grew close to Belagere.

In 2011, Mundawadagi was appointed as security supervisor in a post that was created for him at Prarthana School. His job at the school was to manage a set of guards.

He would visit the newspaper office daily when Sunil Heggaravalli was working there. Heggaravalli was aware of his criminal record. One year after working at the school, Shashi, as Mundawadagi was popularly known, quit his job and returned to his hometown.

VOICE OF THE READER

Kudos to Consumers' Forum

Sir,

Thanks to Karnataka State and District Consumer Redressal Forum at Bengaluru and Mysuru. But for the Consumers' Forum we would not have got our rightful Title Deeds to our houses in Mysuru for which we waited for 23 years.

We approached MUDA several times. We met MPs, MLAs and officials concerned for years but of no avail. Finally, we approached the Consumer Redressal Forum. In less than a year, we got the Court orders in our favour. But MUDA appealed in the State Forum at Bengaluru. We had filed caveat against issuing a stay. We fought the case tooth and nail and saw that no stay was given.

There were some decided cases of the same kind. Yet MUDA made us run from pillar to post. Finally, the State Forum dismissed the MUDA appeal. Meanwhile, the District Forum asked MUDA for execution and issued Non Bailable arrest warrant against the Commissioner. On the last but two days of the next hearing the Title Deeds were issued. Then the court asked MUDA to pay the compensation. The same was obeyed in a week's time. No one believes this. But we three of us are the living examples that in India **Judicial System** is still alive and Judicial Activism can definitely provide justice to mitigate the sufferings of the people of this country if not the Bureaucracy and the Politicians.

Long live Consumer Redressal Forum!

—M.S. Venkatesh, K.V. Upadhaya and Shivaramu
Mysuru
2.12.2017

NOTE: *See today's* ***Abracadabra*** *on Page-6. At the end of the day, it all depends on the integrity and ethics of the individuals who manage the* ***system*** *and who are Judges, Lawyers and Bureaucrats.*

If MUDA was ***people-friendly,*** *where was the need for MUDA to go in appeal? Well, the MUDA lawyer must get his fees for filing the appeal, is it not? Well, Sir, above all those who serve the Government or quasi-Government organisations must be capable in their job, honest and true to themselves.*

As for MPs and MLAs, they will only telephone these officials who will say, "Yes Sir" but will never do the work. And the MPs and MLAs know the poor citizen will not go to him for more than two times. So the Court becomes the last hope.—**Ed**

Rotary West - Sharada
Scholarships distributed

Chief guest Swami Maheshathmanandaji and Rotarians seen with scholarship recipients.

Mysuru, Dec. 10 (SV) - Rotary Mysore West - Sri Sharada Scholarship Award Ceremony was held at Rotary West Auditorium in Saraswathipuram recently.

Chief guest Swami Maheshathmanandaji, Correspondent, Ramakrishna Institute of Moral and Spiritual Education (RIMSE), Mysuru, who distributed scholarships to the students, called upon the gathering to imbibe moral and spiritual values among themselves.

Rtn. Joseph Mathew, Rotary District Governor Nominee, was the guest of honour.

Rtn. R. Manjunath Srivatsa, Secretary of Sri Sharada Education Trust and Sri Sharada Public School, assured to sponsor Rs. 1 lakh scholarship every year in memory of his late father S. Ramanathan, Founder-Chairman, Sri Sharada Education Trust and School, Mysuru. Scholarships worth Rs.1.30 lakh was distributed among 18 deserving economically weaker and meritorious students studying in various colleges in Mysuru.

Rtn. C.S. Ravishankar, President, Rotary West, Rtn. J.P. Aiyanna, Hon. Secretary, Shwetha Srivatsa, Trustee of Sri Sharada Education Trust, M. Gururaja, Administrator of Sri Sharada Public School, K.P. Seema, Principal of Sri Sharada Public School, members of Rotary West and staff of Sri Sharada Public School were present.

Three generations to perform at Ganabharathi tomorrow

Mysuru, Dec. 10- Ganabharathi has organised a unique Veena concert on Dec.11 at Veene Seshanna Bhavana in Kuvempunagar at 6 pm. It's unique in the sense that artistes performing on the day are of three generations.

Karnataka Kalashree Vidu. M. K. Saraswathi along with her daughter Vidu. Rajyashree Josyer Srikanth and grand-daughter Aishwarya Manikarnika will be accompanied by Vid. A. S. N. Swamy on mridanga and Vid. Raghunandan Vyasa Rao on ghata.

Saraswathi, who hails from a rich musical lineage, was initiated into music at a young age by her musician mother Kamalamma, under the guidance of her father M. K. Srinivasa Iyengar. Later, she received advanced training from Dr. Gowri Kuppuswamy, a renowned disciple of the legendary MLV, and from Veena Maestro M. J. Srinivasa Iyengar, a senior disciple of Veena Venkatagiriyappa who in turn was a direct disciple of the great Mysore Veene Seshanna. Her musical heritage is well continued by her daughter Rajyashree Josyer, who is well-known in India and Australia for both Vocal and Veena performances, and her son Vid. G. Venkatesha Josyer, a renowned Violinist.

Rajyashree Josyer is a profound and talented exponent of Karnatak classical music (Vocal). Being trained under her mother she has also enthralled music-lovers in most of the major sabhas of the country and abroad. She imparts training to a number of young students in vocal music under "Sri Saraswathi School of Music."

Being brought up in a musicians family, Aishwarya Manikarnika has a natural flare for music and is being trained in both vocal and veena. She has secured prize in AIR music competition and is a recipient of CCRT scholarship.

MGP to celebrate National Consumer Day in a novel way

Mysuru, Dec.10 (SV)- The Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) has taken a different approach to celebrate National Consumer Day on Dec. 24 by educating public on different aspects of consumer protection.

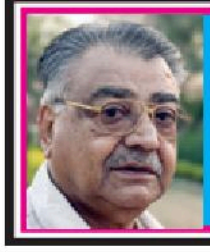
The District Administration, Public Sector Oil companies, MYMUL and Rotary Mysore have joined hands with MGP which has already started a series of events that will conclude on Dec.24. These activities by MGP are: to create awareness among the youth in schools and colleges by MGP trained teachers or MGP activists, demonstrating food adulteration detection, educating the public of their responsibility of keeping Mysuru Clean, interacting with different government agencies like MCC, DC's office, Police, KSRTC, Railways, to convey the message: *"We are masters and not servants"* and *"Consumer is King."*

MGP activists have interacted with students at Teresian College, members of the Youth Hostels Association of India, and teachers at Lucky School. They have trained students of St. Philomena's College on food adulteration detection, so as to educate masses on the harmful effects of food adulteration and simple ways of detecting it.

Those interested to volunteer for National Consumer Day celebrations or interested in organising interactions on consumer movement may call MGP on Ph: 2515150.

FDP on Design and Fabrication at NIE from tomorrow

Mysuru, Dec. 10- The Department of Mechanical Engineering, NIE, is organising AICTE-sponsored two-week **Faculty Development Programme (FDP)** on *"Design, Fabrication, Characterization and Analysis of Fiber Reinforced Composites with Micro and Nanoparticles"* from Dec. 11 at NIE here. The FDP will cover topics relevant to the pursuit of Fiber and Particulate Reinforced Composite Materials and Applications, Bio-composites, Surface Engineering for Composites, Surfaces Modifications, Nanocomposites, among others. For details contact Co-ordinator Dr. B. Suresha, Dean (R&D) on Mob: 9448554240.



Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Money matters: Professional fees or deposits in Banks

Musings on hefty lawyer fee and the new FRDI Bill

A country's governance is based on many **systems** put in place. No matter the form of the Government is Democracy, Communism, Oligarchy, Military Dictatorship or Religion-based Republic. The Constitution can always be written down as one wants or the existing one may be given a go-by, like it happened during Indira Gandhi's years of Internal Emergency — 1975-1977. Nazi Germany was another example where Hitler manipulated Democracy.

The **command and control** of administering the country slips into the hands of few individuals or one individual. The **systems** in place are Defence, Communication, Foreign Affairs, Revenue, Taxation, Judiciary and, of course, Police. The other **systems** already in place are health, education, public works etc. **We have seen all this after the end of monarchy in the world.**

So where does the question of professional fees or deposits in Banks come in? I am reflecting on the high moral precept delivered by the **Supreme Court** last Tuesday saying the astronomical fees charged by lawyers and the commercialisation of the legal profession, as seen today, is a violation of the fundamental right of the poor to get equal justice. This is a case of a **Legal System** gone wonky.

Reason for this scathing observation was the unconscionable, astronomical fees charged by an advocate of one B. Sunitha, a woman from Telangana, whose husband died in a road accident. **She was made to sign a cheque for Rs. 3 lakh by a lawyer** who represented her accident claims case in the Lower Courts. The avarice and total lack of compassion of this lawyer surfaced when it was learnt that **this lawyer had already collected by way of his fees Rs. 10 lakh from this lady !**

By sheer good luck, I guess, she was guided to go to the Supreme Court through Supreme

Court advocate K. Parameshwar. In her petition to the Apex Court, Sunitha had argued that the Lower Court lawyer had **exploited a widow's trust** and the Supreme Court agreed.

If the public were to have confidence in the **Legal System** then the public should first have confidence in the **legal profession** (in the lawyers), observed the Supreme Court saying both are **integral** to each other — confidence in the lawyer and the legal system.

Some lawyers not only charge more than they really deserve for their services but also cheat the clients by **manipulating the Legal System.**

I have heard of a similar case of a widow in Mysuru. Wonder why she should not go to Supreme Court and file a petition through the same Supreme Court advocate who appeared for B. Sunitha, the widow from Telangana.

In this case one widow, Parvathy, had filed a case in District Consumer Redressal Forum (the Consumer Court) for recovery of misappropriated amount from a Bank in Mysuru. She won the case.

Finally, after losing appeals, the Bank Manager came to the widow's house with a cheque of Rs. 85,000 when in fact it should have been Rs. 4,35,000 @ 22% interest for 16 years the case took. So, she refused to accept and filed for Execution to recover her just dues through another Advocate.

In the meanwhile, the Bank submitted the Rs. 85,000 cheque to the Court, District Forum, and shockingly that cheque in-turn was given to the Ex-Advocate by the Consumer Court on the basis of widow's 'signature' which, she claims, was forged.

On learning this, she filed a private criminal complaint accusing the Ex-Advocate who took the cheque and deposited it to his account in his Bank. The Ex-Advocate is on bail and this case is pending since 2006!

Jai ho! Legal System!!

All this ordeal for a widow!

While I shall wish this *Namma Mysuru* widow all the best, it is pertinent to recall what the Supreme Court Judges — A.K. Goel and U.U. Lalit — had said: Despite the lawyer charging astronomical fees in violation of the fundamental right enshrined in our Constitution to get equal justice to all, nothing is done by the successive Governments. **Neither the Advocates' Bar nor the Judiciary have made any move to regularise this evil of hefty fees.**

The learned Judges said: A Report filed by the **Law Commission** way back in 1988 to regularise lawyers' fees continues to be in cold storage.

I am not surprised. Who are the leading lights in our Parliament and in our politics who alone should move the matter to its fruition?

For now, they are legal luminaries like Ram Jethmalani who charges Rs. 25 lakh for one hearing.

Fali S. Nariman charges Rs. 8 to 15 lakh.

P. Chidambaram, Law Minister, Finance Minister in UPA Governments and earlier — Rs. 6 to 7 lakh.

Harish Salve, former Solicitor General — Rs. 6 to 15 lakh.

Kapil Sibal, Congress Minister in UPA — Rs. 5 to 10 lakh.

Shanti Bhushan, Leftist and Social Activist — Rs. 4.5 to 6 lakh.

What can we expect from these people?

Only people like Aruna Roy, Anna Hazare and Arvind Kejriwal could pursue such causes. Today we owe RTI Act to these people and also Sonia Gandhi. Those who violate professional ethics must be punished as it would be a deterrent to others. Which is why people welcomed the private hospitals' Bill **[Karnataka Private Medical Establishments (Amendment) Act]** that was passed by the Karnataka Assembly though with much compromise. At least the Bill and now the Act had given room for open discussion about the issues.

Hence, a similar law to regulate the advocates' fee and related Court procedures must be brought in based on the **Report filed by the Law Commission way back in 1988 — 29 years ago!**

Can't our Prime Minister Narendra Modi do this with his majority in the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha?

Modi must answer. Modi's intention and speeches may be good, but are they getting translated to real change towards development? Is the present NDA Government making people feel safe, secure and free with regard to their personal freedom of choice, the hard-earned money invested in business or deposited in public sector banks and above all, with regard to all-pervasive corruption?

Modi promised to bring the black money...etc., but instead, from what I read, he is bringing a new Bill called **"Financial Resolution and Deposit Insurance (FRDI) Bill."** It is already introduced in the Parliament — to use depositors' money to save loss-making Public Sector Banks. No, please. Privatise these Banks instead. If implemented, the FRDI Bill is sure to make our Bank deposits unsafe in Public Sector Banks and being Public Sector Banks they will continue to make losses.

We are warned.

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Christmas

Carnival on Dec. 23

Mysuru, Dec. 10 (US)- Mysore Christian Caring Forum and Pentacostal Pastors Fellowship have organised Mysore Christmas Carnival-2017 as part of Christmas celebrations on Dec.23 from 6 pm to 9 pm at Nrupathunga Open Stage, Kalidasa Road in V.V. Mohalla. The event features Christmas carols, skit and dance.

District in-Charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, Dr. Yathindra Siddharamaiah, MLA Vasu, MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar, City Police Commissioner Dr. A. Subrahmanyeswara Rao, SP Ravi D. Channannavar, Mayor M. J. Ravikumar, Corporators SBM Manju and D. Nagabhushan, V.V. Puram Police Station Sub-Inspector P.A. Suraj, Devaraja Police Station Sub-Inspector L. Srinivas, Nrupathunga Bayalu Rangamantapa President Shyam and others will be the chief guests.

For details, call Mob: 96639-72092 or 98441-18728.

Elected to YHAI Natl. Council

Mysuru, Dec. 10- H. Ravikumar, Chairman, Youth Hostels

Association of India (YHAI), Mysuru Unit, has been elected as the Member of the National Council, New Delhi, for a period of three years (2017-2020). He is the only person from South India to be elected for YHAI National Council, according to a press release from YHAI.

Coorg Trekking Expedition-2017

Mysuru , Dec. 10- Youth Hostels Association of India (YHAI), Karnataka Chapter, Bengaluru, has organised an eight-day National Western Ghats Coorg Trekking Expedition - 2017 from Dec. 20. The participants are requested to bring cotton clothes, woollen clothes, walking shoes, cold creams, sun screen location, vaseline, personal medicine (if any), bedsheet, plate, lunch box, mug, spoon, rucksack. The organisers can change the programme and route without prior notice depending on weather conditions.

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The Adventures of

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The weather is perfect... The green cover is just fine... And there's enough history and wide roads to go around. Mysuru has whole-heartedly accepted cycling, the European way of commuting. It is Asia's first city to get Public Bicycle Sharing system. This ***Weekend Star Supplement*** is about Trin Trin, an initiative of Mysuru district administration to promote healthy life and cycle tourism.

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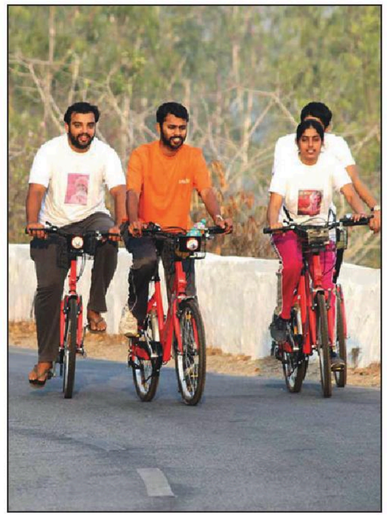
Mysuru Pedals with Pride



By S.N. Venkatnag Sobers

Eight to six months before June 2017, the traffic scene was bumper-to-bumper on all the main roads in this growing heritage city especially during peak hours. Commuters were forced to spend more time, money and energy on roads and without any alternative and cheaper modes of transport. Most of them were kept wondering, is Mysuru going the grid-locked Bengaluru way.

And then came Trin Trin, the Public Bicycle Sharing system and the rest, as they say, is history. History was indeed made in Mysuru when the city accepted cycles as their new means of transport with open arms.

Trin Trin, or in short PBS for Public Bicycle Sharing system, has come as a blessing to Mysuru and there has been a significant increase in the number of cyclists over the past few months — a small step that will lead to a mass movement one day.

Most of the people, who were earlier going on morning walks, prefer to pedal now. This is not all. PBS has many users from student community, especially those who come from rural areas. Most of them pick up bicycles from docking stations at City and Sub-Urban bus stands or City Railway Station and reach their schools and colleges. Earlier, they had to change one or two buses to reach their institutions.

Ever since Trin Trin was launched, a total of 7,466 people have registered. Currently, PBS has recorded 800 to 1,000 rides per day and project implementers Green Wheel Ride hopes the numbers to increase.

Trin Trin's specialty is that bicycles are manufactured in Mysuru itself. The frames were supplied by city-based Bhoruka Fabcons Private Limited. Currently there are about 450 bicycles, including 20 geared ones.

While 430 yellow-framed bicycles are available at 48 docking stations, the 20 red-framed geared bicycles are available at the docking station at the foot of Chamundi Hill. Geared bicycles are only meant for those who use them to ride atop the hill.

"Trin Trin has helped us a lot. Authorities have taken utmost care to maintain the bicycles despite daily use. We cycle daily for about an hour after our walk on Kukkarahalli Lake bund. I use the bicycle even to reach the City Railway Station and Sub Urban Bus Stand," said Suresh, a resident of Kuvempunagar.

Trin Trin has been launched with an objective of encouraging local commuters as well as visitors so that they can cycle instead of using other modes of transport which cause pollution and traffic snarls.

"We are thankful for the authorities for introducing PBS. It not only helps in keeping ourselves fit but also reduces pollution. The system has been most beneficial both for morning walkers and students," says Raju, an employee of an electronic shop.

Trin Trin, the Government of Karnataka project, is partially funded by World Bank under the Global Environment Facility (GEF) Grant. The project is planned and implemented by Directorate of Urban Land Transport (DULT) and Mysuru City Corporation (MCC).

This is a system where bicycles are owned and operated by a civic body and its associates, for shared, short-term use on a rental basis. The system involves borrowing a bicycle from any docking station and parking the bicycle after the ride at any docking station as per the rider's convenience.

"The response to Trin Trin has been tremendous. We had expected around 2,500 to 3,000 registrations but the numbers are much more than expected," said

MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha riding a Trin Trin bicycle.

He also mentioned that with increase in the number of users, they had decided to add 10 more docking stations to the already existing 48 docking stations.

Bengaluru follows Mysuru way

Following the success of Trin Trin in Mysuru, the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike will soon introduce a public bicycle sharing system. BBMP Commissioner N. Manjunatha Prasad said, "We are excited about launching this project. It will help thousands of Bengalureans cover short distances, in lesser time than travelling in buses. It is pollution-free and economically viable for commuters."

Picture shows one of the docking stations on Veene Seshanna Road, opposite Maharaja Sanskrit College.

Red-framed geared bicycles parked in one of the docking stations on Chamundi Hill Road.

CYCLE TOURISM

Dedicated Cycle Lanes in front of Administrative Training Institute (ATI) on Lalitha Mahal Palace Road and near KC Layout.

Mysuru being a city of heritage buildings and various tourist spots, there is always an opportunity to promote cycle tourism.

"We have already launched schemes for the benefit of tourists. They can rent bicycles for a day, couple of days or even for a week. We are also issuing temporary cards after collecting deposits. Once the card is returned, the deposit amount is handed back to the user. MCC is also making arrangements at various hotels to issue cards to interested tourists," adds MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha.

This apart, the MCC has embarked on creating a 20-km exclusive lane to facilitate cycling. However, the plan is yet to take shape.

One can expect dedicated cycle lanes like the ones near Karanji Lake and near Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel to come up during the second phase of Trin Trin.

Post Card from Uttar Pradesh...

Here is an officer at Muzaffarnagar in Uttar Pradesh, who pedals to his office daily. Meet Additional District Magistrate (Executive) **Harish Chandra,** a 1997 batch Provisional Civil Service officer, who has set an example. He not only travels to his office on a bicycle but also attends to his personal work on it.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* over phone from Muzaffarnagar, Harish Chandra said that cycling helped him stay fit and save fuel. "I don't ride a costly bicycle but a basic one. It helps me stay connected with the common man whom I work for. I visit the market on my bicycle which helps me understand the basic problems of the people, he said.

Harish Chandra has not only inspired his subordinates and higher officials but also a few advocates at his place who have decided to pedal to work.

Officials who pedalled their way to glory...

The then DC P.S. Vastrad (left) riding a tandem bicycle along with his gun man. The then ZP CEO Dr. M.N. Ajay Nagabhushan enjoys his ride.

In 2012, the then Deputy Commissioner of Mysore P.S. Vastrad launched a novel initiative where officials cycled to work. Called **'Cycle to Work'**, the project was launched with 77 government officials pedalling to work daily including Vastrad, ZP CEO Dr. M.N. Ajay Nagabhushan, Deputy Transport Commissioner C.P. Narayanaswamy, Additional DC Naga Nayak and MUDA Commissioner Dr. C.G. Betsurmath.

However, the initiative did not continue for long and project was shelved as officers found it difficult to attend emergency meetings and inspections.

When *Star of Mysore* asked Mysuru Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep about re-introducing the 'Cycle to Work' initiative, he said that personally he has no issues with coming to office on a bicycle but said that the same cannot be forced upon other officials as they would have to attend official works.

*AT THE LAUNCH: **Mayor M.J. Ravikumar** (left) **and DC D. Randeep seen pedalling during the launch of Trin Trin.***

Hawk's eye on cyclists

The staff at Trin Trin control room in Jayanagar monitoring the docking stations across the city with advanced GPS gadgets and big TV screens.

More Docking Stations in Phase-2

MCC is planning to come up with 50 more docking stations in the second phase. There are also proposals to setup dock-less stations where bicycles are parked used geo references. MCC is preparing a blueprint for the second phase.

Under the dock-less station facility, authorities will mark a dedicated parking area where bicycles are parked after being used and bicycles are monitored round-the-clock. One can also monitor the exact location of the bicycles through GPS.

"There have been demands to setup docking stations at Kuvempunagar, Vivekanandanagar and surrounding areas. Till date, we have not reached these areas as the focus was to set up stations in the heart of the city. However, authorities would decide on setting up docking stations at new locations," said Manager of Green Wheel Ride **Asha Kerakatty.**

Know your Trin Trin Smartcard

Trin Trin Smartcard is unique in its own way. The front part of the card has the animated representation of a tourist visiting the Mysore Palace on a bicycle and taking photographs and there is also a picture of an elephant carrying the Golden Howdah.

The District Administration has made the maximum use of the back portion of the card to promote Karnataka tourism by showcasing destinations such as Rajiv Gandhi National Park (Nagarahole National Park) in Kodagu, Pattadakal in Bagalkot, Dandeli in Uttara Kannada, Sakrebailu Elephant Camp in Shivamogga, Shivanasamudra Falls in Mandya, Vijaya Vittala Temple in Hampi, Bidar Fort in Bidar and Shravanabelagola in Hassan.

The front design of Trin Trin Smartcard

The card has an invisible chip embedded inside which is recognised by the sensor on the card reader while a user takes out and keeps back the bicycle at the docking station.

The back design of smartcard that features tourist destinations in Karnataka.

HOW TO REGISTER

- One can register by logging on to **www.mytrintrin.com** or by using the Trin Trin App. Registration are also done at 'Trin Trin' Registration Centers at KSRTC Bus Stand, City Bus Stand, City Railway Station, Regional Transport Office (West), Mysuru Zoo and near Mysore Palace.
- Once the registration process is complete, a Trin Trin Smart Card will be issued to the user after Rs. 350 is paid which includes (Rs. 250 registration fees, Rs. 50 processing fees and the remaining Rs. 50 can be utilised by card holders). Every month, a minimum of Rs. 50 must be added to the smart card depending on the usage.
- After reaching the docking station, one has to place the Trin Trin Smart Card on the card reader next to the required bicycle. Once the car reader scans data, the LED lights blink before the bicycle is unlocked.
- While returning, one has to slide the bicycle clip firmly into an empty dock and wait for the transaction to be complete. Here too, the LED lights will blink and the 'Ready' button shows.

Docking Stations in city

1.	Jayanagar Railway Gate
2.	Srinivasa Circle (Bannimantap – near Srinivasa Talkies)
3.	Mysore Tennis Club (Krishnaraja Boulevard)
4.	Regional Transport Office (West - behind KR Police Station)
5.	Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Park (Ashokapuram Main Road)
6.	Ramaswamy Circle (towards Maharaja's College)
7.	Metropole Circle
8.	Akashavani
9.	St. Joseph's School (Jayalakshmipuram)
10.	Kukkarahalli Lake Gate (near Railway Gate)
11.	Foot of Chamundi Hill
12.	Yele Thota (Ooty Road)
13.	DC Office
14.	Mall of Mysore
15.	Mysuru Zoo
16.	MUDA Office
17.	Sangolli Rayanna Circle (near Siddhartha Traffic Police Station)
18.	T. Narsipura Circle
19.	LIC Circle (Millennium Circle)
20.	Mini Vidhana Soudha
21.	SP Office Circle
22.	Agrahara
23.	Mysuru City Corporation (Veene Seshanna Road)
24.	Karanji Lake
25.	KSRTC Bus Stand
26.	Kalamandira (Vinoba Road)
27.	City Bus Stand (K.R Circle)
28.	Jayachamarajendra Circle
29.	Chamundi Vihar Stadium
30.	Saraswathipuram Fire Station (Kantharaja Urs Road)
31.	Mathru Mandali Circle (VV Mohalla)
32.	Ashoka Circle (Ballal Circle)
33.	KSRTC Bus Depot (Bannimantap)
34.	Vontikoppal (Near VV Puram Police Station)
35.	University Campus (Open Air Theatre Road)
36.	Chamundi Hill Top
37.	Mysuru Palace
38.	City Railway Station
39.	University Gate (Bogadi Road)
40.	Jaganmohan Palace
41.	Vishwamanava Double Road
42.	Kamakshi Hospital Road
43.	St. Philomena's Church
44.	Government Ayurveda College and Hospital
45.	Gun House
46.	Shantala Talkies (Narayana Shastry Road)
47.	Devraja Urs Road
48.	Private Bus Stand (near RMC)

Revised Fare Plan for Mysuru PBS System

Time span	Revised Plan in Rs.	Earlier Plan in Rs.
0- 60 mins (1st time use in the day)	0	0
0- 60 mins	5	0
1 hour- 2 hours	10	5
2 hours- 3 hours	15	10
3 hours - 4 hours	25	20
4 hours- 6 hours	50	50
6 hours- 8 hours	100	100
8 hours- 12 hours	150	150
Greater than 12 hours	250	250

5-day tribal healers workshop begins in city

Prof. Sarit Kumar Chaudhuri, Director, IGRMS, Bhopal and others are seen looking at the herbs, shrubs and roots of medicinal value that have been displayed at IGRMS premises in city this morning. Picture right shows Tribal healers from various States participating in the National Workshop on Tribal Healers and Tribal Medicines.

Mysuru, Dec.10 (SV)- A five-day National Workshop on 'Tribal Healers and Tribal Medicines' organised by Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya (IGRMS), Southern Regional Centre (SRC) in collaboration with the Anthropological Survey of India, Southern Regional Centre, Bogadi, Mysuru, began at IGRMS (SRC), Mysuru campus, Wellington House, here this morning.

The workshop was inaugurated by Prof. Sarit Kumar Chaudhuri, Director IGRMS, Bhopal. In his address, he said, "The workshop was organised to revive the traditional knowledge of medicines. Though ayurveda medicines are available, these traditional medicines have not been documented. So during this workshop we will document all the traditional medicinal practices, the procedures of making them and popularise to the common public even in urban areas. We will conduct such workshops every year to help the public."

Other dignitaries present on the dais were Prof. Promode Kumar Misra, President, Anthropological Association, Mysuru, Dr. M. Sasikumar, Deputy Director, Anthropological Survey of India, Kolkata, Dr. C.R. Sathyanarayanan, Deputy Director, Anthropological Survey of India, Mysuru, Dr. Jakka Parthasarathy, Former Director, TRC (Tribal Research Centre), Ooty, Dr. Viswanath Nair, Former Director, KIRTADS (Kerala institute for Research Training & Development Studies of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes), Kerala and Himanshu Mishra, Scientist-E, BARC (Baba Atomic Research Centre), Mumbai. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Viswanath Nair said that tribal people were devoid of facilities in remote areas and added that the aim is to bring the tribal healing system recognition and value as there are about 75,000 tribal healers in India at present. He said that it was time to document their practices and knowledge and boost it now.

About 65 tribal healers from Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Karnataka, Chattisgarh, Tamil Nadu, Madhya Pradesh, Uttarakand and Jharkhand are participating in this workshop.

Demonstration of indigenous medicinal healing practices from tribal communities with the use of natural herbs, shrubs, bulbs, roots along with locally prepared oils and other medicines will be held at the workshop and the healers will also discuss their problems and future development of their occupation in the daily seminar organised by the IGRMS. **The workshop will conclude on Dec.14.**

State-of-the-art TB Testing Machine dedicated

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President of AIDS Society of India Dr. I.S. Gilada, Patrons Suzan Baraz, Chair-Focus on AIDS, USA, Hossien Farmani, Co-Chair-Focus on AIDS, USA and Mehinder Sharma, Chairman of ANS Constructions, New Delhi were also present.

Speaking about the journey of Asha Kirana from 1997 to 2017, Dr. S.N. Mothi, Chairman of the Trust, said that Asha Kirana Charitable Trust commenced its journey as a one room organisation in 1997 and has now come a long way with the continued support of patrons, donors, networking doctors and various organisations.

He said that in 1997, he had an opportunity to invite late Dr. Suniti Solomon, former Professor in Microbiology from Madras Medical College and founder of YRG Centre for AIDS Care and Research, who had reported the first case of HIV/AIDS in India in 1987 and added that Dr. Sunita's commitment and passion ignited a spark in him which resulted in seven friends coming together to form 'Asha Kirana.'

Stating that Asha Kirana Hospital was built in 2004, which survived the threats of being labeled as an AIDS Hospital, Dr. Mothi said that the hospital now stands tall as a referral centre for people living with AIDS/HIV and added that the hospital is a testimony of collective commitment and response from the citizens of Mysuru.

Susan Baraz, one of the patrons, stated that her friend Hossein Farmani, also a patron, during his visit to Mysuru in 2002-03 met Dr. Mothi and was impressed with Asha Kirana's commitment of working with people living with HIV/AIDS and he also saw the site where the Trust was planning to set up a Care and Support Centre, the first in the city.

She said that Hossein met her and asked her whether they could help in building an AIDS Hospital and she responded positively. She further said that they had organised a Fine Art photography auction for funding and the benefits were used to help build Asha Kirana Hospital.

She said that Focus on AIDS was proud to be associated with Asha Kirana, for their dedicated care and support.

BBMP Corporator stabbed by son

Son upset as father disapproves marriage proposal

Bengaluru, Dec.10 - Even as former JD(S) Corporator Govindegowda was brutally hacked to death by miscreants in Rajagopalnagar Police limits yesterday, a sitting BBMP Corporator was reportedly stabbed by his son and is undergoing treatment at a hospital, according to reports.

Katriguppe Corporator 'Sangathi' Venkatesh is the one who is said to have been stabbed by his son Sagar Venkatesh at the Corporator's residence in Thyagarajanagar, after he disapproved of Sagar's marriage proposal with a girl of his choice.

The Corporator, who received stab injuries, is currently undergoing treatment, it is learnt.

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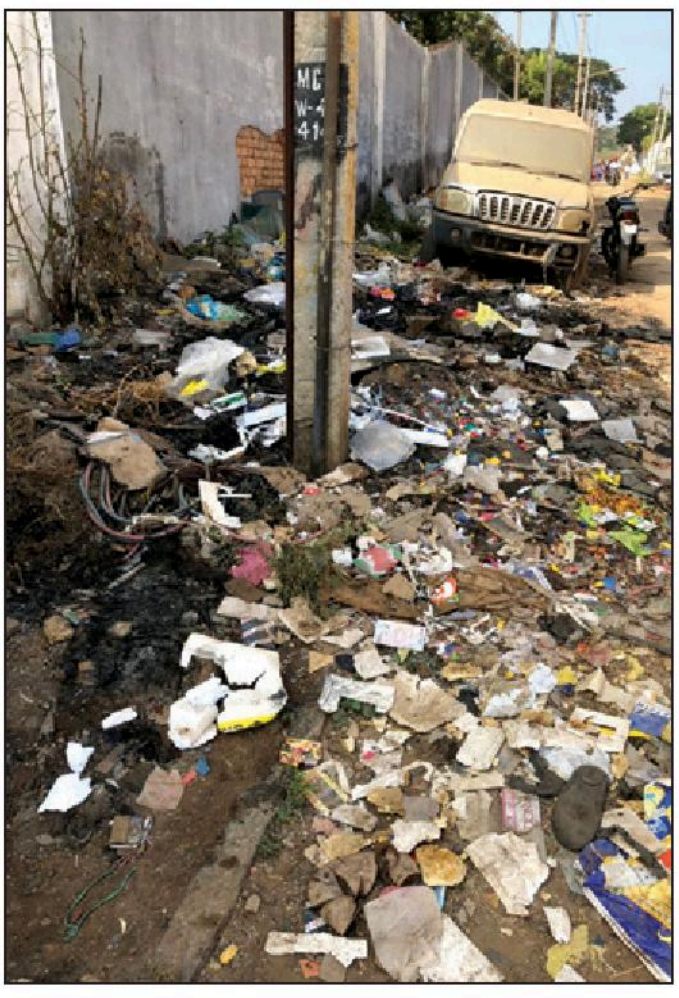
Set right this telephone box at Chamundipuram

A telephone connection box at Hosa Bandikeri near Rama Mandira in Chamundipuram lies in a state of neglect and official apathy. The telephone box has rusted and the present state is that wires are protruding from it. Someone has even written "Chinnu" on the box disfiguring it. The box now barely stands on the support of a wooden pole. The open wires face the danger of being cut and snapping the telephone connections of hundreds of houses.

Plea to clear garbage dump on C.V. Road



Garbage and waste materials which are dumped on C.V. Road 1st Cross in Bannimantap is not cleared and is getting littered on the road due to wind. Authorities concerned are urged to get the garbage cleared at the earliest.

MP Pratap Simha inspects Excel Plant in Vidyaranyapuram

Mysuru, Dec.10 (MTY&DM)- Following complaints by residents demanding a permanent solution for the stink and health hazards caused by Excel Plant at Sewage Farm in Vidyaranyapuram, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha, along with over 200 BJP activists, inspected the Plant yesterday.

Accusing K.R. Congress MLA M.K. Somashekar of ignoring the plight of local people, who are exposed to health hazards, the MP alleged that the MLA had done little for finding a solution to the hazards caused by the Plant.

He urged the MCC to come to the rescue of people residing in the vicinity of the Plant by practising scientific ways for waste segregation and management.

Former Minister and senior BJP leader S.A. Ramdas, who is spearheading the cause of the residents, said that the BJP, when in power in the State earlier, had allotted sufficient funds for proper waste segregation and management at Excel Plant. But the current MLA had failed to ensure that the Plant does not pose any health hazards to nearby residents, he alleged.

BJP leader H.V. Rajeev, Corporators B.V. Manjunath and M.V. Ramprasad and other leaders accompanied the MP.

Residents to protest against Excel Waste Management Plant from Dec. 14

Ramdas hears public grievances

Mysuru, Dec. 10 (SPN&BCT)- Unbearable stink emanating from Solid Waste Management Plant or Excel Solid Waste Management Plant in Vidyaranyapuram is proving to be a health hazard to local residents. Residents of J.P. Nagar, Vishveshwaranagar and Vidyaranyapuram have been suffering from different ailments like nausea, headache and asthma.

A meeting was held here on Wednesday at Mahaveer Bhavan on Akkamahadevi Road to listen to the grievances of the residents where several of them sought a speedy solution to the problem.

The meeting was organised by former Minister S.A. Ramdas. Residents vented their ire against Krishnaraja Constituency MLA M.K. Somashekar for not solving the problem all these years.

Residents alleged that Somashekar had won the last elections on this particular issue and had assured them that the Plant would be shifted. Despite the constituency figuring in CM Siddharamaiah's hometown, the problem has remained, tormenting the residents.

One enraged resident said, "We have seen MLA Somashekar only doing some *guddali puja* and inaugurating some road works in the last five years and we have not seen him genuinely addressing our problem."

Residents of Vidyaranyapuram, Kanakagiri, Gundu Rao Nagar and Vishveshwaranagar had constituted the Excel Plant Virodhi Samithi to demand relocation of the plant some time ago. The Samithi said that the areas within a radius of 3 km from the Plant were badly affected and it risked the health of thousands of people.

The Excel Treatment Plant was set up under JnNURM Project in 1996. Nearly 500 tonnes of solid waste is treated at the sewage farm daily to produce compost. However, tonnes of untreated garbage go untreated, given that the city produces nearly 700-800 tonnes of waste. Residents said that the animal carcass and other waste from slaughter houses were dumped directly into the plant, leading to unbearable stench.

"We have not even opened our windows from many days due to the foul smell. Locals suffer from nausea, headache and sleepless nights," residents said. The Plant also burns plastic which emits bad smell and carbon dioxide.

Responding to the residents' woes, Ramdas said that the only way remaining now is to solve the problem in the protest route. He said that the Plant is handling waste beyond its capacity. "We will pressurise the authorities to restrict waste disposal to 150 tonnes and shift the other waste to the remaining waste disposal units," he said.

The residents resolved to stage protests from Dec.14 to 16. It will be a non-political struggle and a series of jathas with school children, residents and office-goers living in the vicinity will be held to raise voice against the waste treatment plant.

Girl's body exhumed 26 days after death for post-mortem

21-year-old grad died due to infection after doctor administered injection; doctor still on the run

Mysuru, Dec. 10 (RK&BCT)- The dead body of a 21-year-old girl was exhumed on Friday, 26 days after her death. She died due to infection after she was administered an injection by a doctor following fever in H.D. Kote. After exhumation, doctors conducted a post-mortem.

Ankusha

Ankusha from Kalahundi of Hampapura village, who had just completed B.Sc. degree from Maharani's Science College and was preparing for her B.Ed. course admission, died to infection following an injection administered by Dr. Raju at Hampapura in H.D. Kote. After her death, the Police took up a *suo-moto* complaint against the doctor, allegedly a quack.

The doctor is on the run now and he has vacated the clinic at Hampapura and has removed the clinic's board. The Police have registered a case under IPC Section 304 (culpable homicide not amounting to murder). The place where Ankusha was injected became a lump and puss started oozing out. She was shifted to a private hospital in Mysuru and she died on Nov. 13.

Ankusha's parents did not lodge a Police complaint and went ahead and cremated her after the doctor promised compensation. But the H.D. Kote Police voluntarily took up the complaint after media published reports of the girl's death.

After registering the case, H.D. Kote Inspector A.C. Ashok appealed to the Court to permit the Police to conduct a post-mortem as the body was buried without proper Police procedures. Following the Court clearance, the body was exhumed and the post-mortem was conducted in the presence of Tahsildar, Anatomy Professor from Mysore Medical College and Research Institute.

Alerted by Ankusha's death, Mysuru District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. B. Basavaraju ordered raids on clinics run by quacks and closed five of them. The DHO said that as per the present Karnataka Private Medical Establishments (KPME) Act, there is a provision to legally deal with quacks.

"Dr. Raju is still absconding and the Police are looking out for him. We are keeping a watch on all clinics in and around H.D. Kote and have even warned Ayurveda practitioners against prescribing Allopathy drugs. People can approach the Police in case they come across quacks," he added.

CELLAR & BASEMENT PARKING

Hotel owners allege harassment from MCC

Mysuru, Dec. 10 - The Mysuru Hotel Owners' Association has criticised the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) for harassing owners of commercial buildings by directing them to reserve the basement for parking. A delegation of the Association met Chief Minister Siddharamaiah on Dec. 8 and submitted a memorandum appealing the CM to instruct the MCC not to harass businessmen.

The Association has told the CM that all these years the MCC collected taxes from the owners though the cellars were to be reserved for vehicle parking. The Association members said that no local body, including the Corporation, could collect tax for parking area in any commercial complex. The MCC move was taken arbitrarily without consulting the trade bodies and that was resulting in mental agony, the members said.

This system of mandatory basement parking is not in practice anywhere in Karnataka and the MCC is enforcing its own rules, harassing businessmen, they said. "The MCC has not issued Completion Report for buildings since four years. Now in the name of Completion Report, the MCC is collecting double the taxes," the Association said.

President of the Association C. Narayana Gowda alleged that MCC officials had threatened owners of seizing their commercial buildings if they did not vacate the cellar and reserve it for parking. He said that the MCC had given licences for the basement and to conduct business there. It had also collected tax from the owners for several years, he said.

Traders were the highest taxpayers for the MCC and over 70% of revenue resources of MCC were from traders, Gowda said, adding that it was unethical to harass them for petty issues. Even government offices were being set up in the basement across the State, he said, and nowhere in the State, had local bodies asked owners of commercial complexes to reserve the cellar for parking.

There would have been justification if the MCC demanded big commercial complexes to reserve a portion of the basement for parking, he said, adding that the MCC was demanding small complexes of less than 1,000 sq. ft to reserve space for parking.

Progressive organisations to take out rally in Hunsur tomorrow

Mysuru, Dec.10 - In the wake of tensions during Hanuma Jayanti celebrations at Hunsur in the district recently, progressive organisations have decided to take out a rally in Hunsur on Dec.11 to create awareness against communal forces.

At a round table meeting convened by Karnataka Rajya Hindulida Vargagala Jagruti Samithi in association with Dalit Sangharsha Samiti (DSS), CPM and other like-minded organisations at a private hotel here on Thursday, it was decided to hold a similar rally in Mysuru in the coming days to vouch for communal harmony in the society.

The meeting passed many resolutions which included petitioning President Ram Nath Kovind seeking to disqualify Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha, sacking of Union Minister Anant Kumar Hegde for his frequent vituperative remarks aimed at scuttling peace in the society, condemnation of BJP and Sangh Parivar and launching of a fight against those leaders who have been making baseless comments against the Indian Constitution.

The round table meeting also deliberated on the situation that has emerged following the recently concluded Dharma Samsad in Udupi.

The speakers included former Chairperson of State Women's Commission Manjula Manasa, Writer Prof. Kalegowda Nagavara, Dr. Lakshminarayan of PUCL, Prof. B.P. Mahesh Chandra Guru and others.

Madiga Federation to hold jatha in Bengaluru on Monday

Mysuru, Dec. 10 (PM&VNS)- The Federation of Karnataka Madiga Association will hold a jatha demanding implementation of Justice A.J. Sadashiva Commission Report on Dec. 11 (Monday) at 11 am at Freedom Park in Bengaluru, said Federation Convenor Mugur Siddaraju.

Addressing the presspersons at Pathrakarthara Bhavan here on Friday, Siddaraju said that more than 10,000 community members from Mysuru were taking part in the protest rally.

He said the community was seeking internal reservation as per the recommendations of the Sadashiva Commission and added that the 538-km jatha being taken out by the community members would culminate in Bengaluru on Dec. 11.

He also urged the political parties to provide tickets for the Madiga community leaders in the upcoming Assembly polls.

Federation convenors K. Prasanna Chakravarthi, S. Swamy, Bannikuppe Mahadevaswamy, Talakad Kemparaju and others were present.

Raitha Sangha leaders to meet in Bengaluru on Dec.12

Mysuru, Dec. 10 - Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha (KRRS) leaders will meet in Bengaluru on Dec.12 (Tuesday) to discuss various issues plaguing the agrarian sector. Announcing this at a press meet here on Friday, KRRS leader and MLA K.S. Puttannaiah said the meeting has been arranged to press the government for redressing farmers' grievances, especially in the Cauvery basin.

Demanding implementation of Swaminathan report, Puttannaiah urged the government to advance package loans to farmers at least to ensure their livelihood.

Continuing, he said that writer Devanur Mahadeva and top farmer leaders will take part in the meeting.

Continuing, he said Swaraj India will hold a meeting at Bengaluru on Dec.16 to discuss an alternative political front in the State. The meeting will discuss fielding a formidable candidate in at least one constituency in every district, he said.

Announcing that there were plans to change the name of KRRS and its logo, he said that an official decision in this regard will be announced in January.

He also lashed out at former KRRS leader K.S. Nanjundegowda for joining BJP as he was unsure of getting JD(S) ticket from Srirangapatna.

Farmer leaders Badagalapura Nagendra, Hosur Kumar, Hoskote Basavaraj, Alagudu Shivakumar and others were present at the press meet.

Ex-BBMP Corporator hacked to death

Bengaluru, Dec.10 - Former BBMP Corporator and JD(S) leader Govindegowda (58) was brutally hacked to death by miscreants in Bengaluru on Saturday evening.

Govindegowda

Govindegowda was on way to attend a meeting of party workers at Hegganahalli at about 5 pm when miscreants who followed him, brutally attacked him with lethal weapons even as he ran into a marriage hall on Hegganahalli main road in Rajagopalnagar to save himself.

Govindegowda, who sustained serious injuries in the assault, was rushed to a hospital in Sunkadakatte, where he succumbed a few minutes later.

Govindegowda, who was an accused in local BJP leader Chikkathimmegowda murder case, had recently come out of jail after getting bail, it is learnt.

Man goes missing from city

Mysuru, Dec.10 (KS) - A 77-year-old man, who went for a walk on Nov. 20 at about 7 am, has been reported missing from Saraswathipuram Police limits in city.

Huchegowda

The missing person has been identified as Huchegowda, a resident of Bank Colony Road in Bogadi here.

Huchegowda is 5.7 ft. tall, thin built, oily red complexioned, speaks Kannada and was wearing a white shirt and shorts at the time of going missing.

Those having any information about the missing person may contact Saraswathipuram Police Station on Phone 0821-2418123/323 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339.

Schools in Chess Tournament 2017

Thejas, Bharani clinch titles

Mysuru, Dec.10- M.U. Thejas with 6.5 points from seven rounds and T.V. Bharani with 5 points from seven rounds, clinched the U-15 boys & girls titles respectively in the Chess in Schools competition 2017, conducted by the Mysore District Chess Association (MDCA), Mysore at the University Lions Hall yesterday.

V. Avinash (6 points-39.5) and Yashwanth Bharadwaraj (6 points-36) secured second and third places in the U-15 boys section respectively. M.Shivanth won the title in the Boys U-13 section with 6.5 points, followed by C.Abhishek (6 points) and Aryan Anand (5.5 points) respectively.

In the girls U-15 section, Chandana Prasad with 5 points (31) secured the second place. In the U-11 girls section, Prasiddi Bhat won the title with 6.5 points, followed by M.N. Eshanvi with 6 points.

The chief sponsor of the event was Thyrocare. The tournament was inaugurated by Karnataka's first Master M.S.Thejkumar and the prizes were given away by former Karnataka state chess champion Y.G.Vijeendra.

FINAL PLACINGS

U-15 boys: 1. M.U. Thejas (6.5), 2. V.Avinash (6-39.5), 3. Yashwanth Bharadwaj (6-36). **U-13:** 1.M. Shivanth (6.5), 2. C. Abhishek (6), 3. Aryan Anand (5.5). **U-11:** 1. M.G. Prameeth (6-38), 2. I.Kalal (6-36.5), 3. S. Yashwanth (6-32). **U-9:** 1. Avyuth (5-34.5), 2. Barathesh Jaishankar (5-34.5), 3. Ashith Kumar Gowda (5-34). **Girls: U-15:** 1. T.V.Bharani (5-33), 2. Chandana Prasad (5-31). **U-13:** 1. Dhanyashree (5.5), 2.Anamika Menon (5-39.5). **U-11:** 1. Prasiddi Bhat (6.5), 2. M.N.Eshanvi (6). **U-9:** 1. Sharadhi Shastry (5-37), 2. Yashika R Joshi (5-31.5).

KSCA U-14 Inter-zonal Tournament

Combined City XI gain first innings points against Mysuru

Bengaluru, Dec.10- Combined City XI secured the vital first innings points against Mysuru Zone in their drawn two-day tie in the KSCA inter-zonal U-14 tournament 2017 played at the AMC grounds, here recently.

SCORES

Mysuru Zone 140 in 83.5 overs (B.C. Rohan 27, Likith Gowda 22, Aryan Kaverappa 20, Rahul Prasanna five for 38) & 93 for three in 39 overs (Likith S. Gowda 41 n/o) drew with Combined XI 255 for six declared in 89.5 overs (Rahul Prasanna 101 n/o, Hemanchu Reddy 57, M. Avsalaan 29, Saurav Lekhi 27, B.C. Rohan two for 29).

Cooch Behar Trophy U-19 tourney

Gujarat in control over Karnataka

Mysuru, Dec.10- Gujarat secured a vital first innings lead of 54-runs over Karnataka on the second day of the Cooch Behar trophy U-19 tournament. The team bowled out hosts Karnataka for 163 in 76.4 overs, in reply to their first innings total of 217 in 95.2 overs, at the SDNR Wadiyar Platinum Jubilee University grounds on Saturday.

SCORES

Gujarat 217 in 95.2 overs (V.D. Shah 61, S.S. Patel 43, Abhishek R. Desai 33, Supreet Bagga 31, Vidwath Kaverappa four for 40, Shubhang Hegde four for 44, B.M. Shreyas two for 36) and three for no loss in three overs vs Karnataka 163 in 76.4 overs (Shubhang Hegde 61, B.M.Shreyas 23, K.R.Patel four for 49, Pandya Hitanshu three for 40, P.N. Jadeja two for 30).

Tour of Nilgiris to reach city today

Bhaskar Rao, ADGP Karnataka State Reserve Police, is seen flagging off the 10th Edition of the Tour of Nilgiris (TfN) cycling expedition this morning from Radisson Blu Atria, Bengaluru. The cyclists are expected to arrive in Mysuru this evening at Hotel Rio Merdian.

Wins wrestling tournament

Mohammed Akmal Pasha won the title in the wrestling tournament organised by Meelad Sports and Welfare Council, in city recently. Picture shows Primary and Secondary Education Minister Tanveer Sait handing over the winner's trophy and certificate to Akmal Pasha.

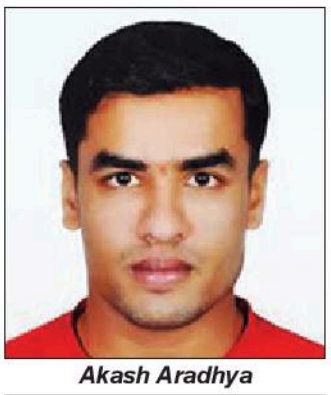
THIS Week

Ice Skating champ: Akash Aradhya

Mysuru has produced quality skating champions. Among them is 23-year-old Akash Aradhya. He is a former National champion and has been representing India in the World and Asian-level and Asian Games (2010) for the last six years. He is the recipient of the Ekalavya Award. Akash is presently training in Germany for the Winter Olympics 2018. He took part in the World Cup 4 championships in Germany in the 1000m event and fared well. He is our "Star this Week".

Akash trained at the Kanaskis camp 2017. He represented India in the 2017 Sapporo Asian Winter Games at Japan and was the Indian team's flag bearer at the inaugural ceremony of the Winter Games.

A B.Com graduate, Akash Aradhya, is the son of Nagabushan Aradhya (Chartered Accountant) and Rekha Aradhya residents of Chamarajapuram. Akash was trained by K.Srikanth Rao, Indian coach and Ekalavya Awardee at the Rao's Roller skating Club. Rao's elder brother late K.Sridhar Rao had spotted Akash's talent and had also coached him.



Akash Aradhya

Akash has represented India in the Asian Games in 2010 at China in roller skating. He is also the present Ice-skating National champion in the senior men's section.

He is presently training in at Vancouver in Canada for winter Olympics in South Korea in 2018. The Ice Skating Association of India has selected three skaters — Akash Aradhya (Karnataka), Sohan Arkar (Mumbai) and S.Paul (Hyderabad) for the training programme and has given them Rs.5 lakh grant.

Akash in order to qualify has to take part in 2 world championships. He took part in the World Ice-skating championships held in Vancouver in June 2016 and Insel, Germany in October 2016 in the Short-track ice-skating category.

Akash also will be taking part representing India in the Asian and World championships to be held at China.

SPORTS EVENTS

CRICKET

Cooch Behar Trophy U-19 tournament 2017

8.12.17 to 11.12.17	Karnataka vs Gujarat SDNR Wadiyar Stadium, University of Mysore grounds.

Sri Gopalaswami Memorial Cricket Tournament 2017

13.12.17 to 30.12.17	Karnataka vs Gujarat at SDNR Wadiyar, JSS-SJCE, Gangothri grounds, PET (Mandya)

CYCLING

TfN Tour of Nilgiris Cycle expedition

10.12.17	Cycle expedition arrives in Mysuru at 4.00 pm at Hotel Rio Merdian
17.12.17	Tour ends at Rio Merdian Hotel

SPORTS QUIZ

1. What does the term A.P.G.A. stand for?
2. In which sport is the term 'Booster' associated with?
3. The 'Thomas Cup' is associated with which sport ?
4. Who is the Karnataka bowler who took a hat-trick against Mumbai in the ongoing Ranji trophy quarter-final tie at Nagpur ?
5. Which are the two nations which will clash in the final of the Hockey World men's league going on at Bhubaneshwar?

1. Asian Professional Golfers Association 2. Volleyball 3. Badminton 4. R. Vinay Kumar 5. Australia and Argentina

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Mr. Perfect	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
Moodayana	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
College Kumar	Woodlands	2422871	2 Shows
Smuggler	Woodlands	2422871	2 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
Anveshi	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Women's Day	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
H Yarige	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
Mufti	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
Bharjari	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
HINDI			
Fukrey Returns	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
Game Over	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
Dirty Dancer	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Kodiveeran	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Oxygen	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
Sapthagiri LLB	Padma	2521923	4 Shows

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Fukrey Returns (H)	(S-1)	10.50 am, 4.30 pm
		7.15 pm, 9.55 pm
Kodiveeran (Ta)	(S-1)	1.30 pm
Thor: Ragnarok (E-3D)	(S-2)	11.00 am, 1.45 pm
Richie (Ta)	(S-2)	4.30 pm, 9.50 pm
Coco (E-3D)	(S-3)	11.15 am
Tumhari Sulu (H)	(S-3)	1.45 pm, 4.45 pm
Wonder (E)	(S-3)	7.30 pm
Mufti (K)	(S-4)	10.20 am, 1.10 pm
		4.05 pm, 7.00 pm
		9.55 pm

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Mufti (K)	(S-2)	9.55 am, 12.55 pm
		3.55 pm, 6.55 pm
		9.55 pm
	(S-3)	12.00 pm, 3.00 pm, 9.00
	(S-4)	11.10 am
Fukrey Returns (H)	(S-1)	10.00 am, 12.55 pm, 3.50
		6.45 pm, 9.40 pm
	(S-3)	6.05 pm
Richie (Ta)	(S-3)	9.50 am
	(S-4)	7.30 pm
Kodiveeran (Ta)	(S-4)	9.50 pm
Women's Day (K)	(S-4)	2.10 pm
Mr. Perfect (K)	(S-4)	4.50 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (DEC.10)

Suchitra Art Gallery: Solo contemporary art exhibition by *Padma Shri* Prof. J.A.K. Tareen, Suchitra Art Gallery, Kalamandira premises, **up to 8 pm.**

Builders Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre: MyBuild-17 Expo, Maharaja's College Grounds, **up to 8.30 pm.**

Tamil Nadu Handloom Weavers' Co-operative Society Ltd. (Co-optex): Exhibition-cum-sale of handloom products, Madhava Shenoy Hall, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), JLB Road, **up to 8 pm.**

Silk India: Expo-cum-sale of ethnic and traditional silk, cotton handloom products, Nanjaraj Bahadur Choultry, Vinoba Road, Devaraja Mohalla, **up to 8.30 pm.**

Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP): Monthly public meeting focusing on RTO issues, K. Anwar Pasha, Deputy Commissioner for Transport and Senior Regional Transport Officer (Mysuru West) and M. Prabhuswamy, Regional Transport Officer (Mysuru East), will interact with the public, MGP office, 6/1, Vivekananda Road, Yadavagiri, **4 pm.**

Alumni Association of Sportspersons Represented University of Mysore: Prize distribution of Mysuru District-level High School Boys and Girls Kho-Kho Tournament (2017-18), Association Managing Secretary P. Srinivas Prasad chief guest, retd. DPE Director Dr. C. Krishna presides, University Sports Pavilion, **4 pm.**

Sadhana Mandira: Laghunyasa and Rudram classes by Acharya Swami Hamsananda, 'Sri Ramakrishna Krupa,' # 435, 6th Main, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **4.30 pm;** Sri Ramana Jnana Kendra, near BGS Hospital, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm;** Shivananda Jnanalaya, next to Nadabrahma Sangeeta Sabha, JLB Road, **7.15 pm**.

Nruthya Vidya Peetha - Academy of Classical Dance and Indian Arts: 8th Annual Day celebrations, Kathak performance, felicitation to Geetha Narayana and awarding the toppers in Junior and Vidwat Grade, **5.30 pm;** *Narthana Vrukshavali* (presentation of Bharatanatyam), Jaganmohan Palace, **7 pm.**

Book Clubs-2015 and Josephites, Mysuru: Book release — Shobha Dove's '... and then I MET HIM' — by author and educationist Dr. M.A. Padmini, researcher and freelance editor Dr. Pamela Sanath receives first copy, author will be in conversation with Mythri Charitable Trust Managing Trustee Prithvi Sudindar, Hotel Spree Roopa Elite, 6th Main (above Sru Saravana Bhavan), near Post Office, Vontikoppal, **5 pm.**

Sri Viveka Vidyalaya: *Viveka Kutumbakam*, 5th annual day celebrations, Swami Bodhaswarupanandaji graces the occasion, CSIR-CFTRI Senior Principal Scientist ASKVS Sharma (Kollegala Sharma) chief guest, former MLC and Vidyalaya Chairman K.C. Puttasiddashetty presides, Sri Viveka Vidyalaya, Srirampura, **5 pm.**

Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti, Jayalakshmipuram: Discourse on 'Sangraha Ramayana' by Vid. Nagarahalli Raghavendrachar, Samiti premises, **5 pm to 6.30 pm.**

Sri Tyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust: Vocal recital by Vid. G.K. Manmohan, accompanied by Vid. Venkatesh on violin, Vid. A. Radhesh on mridanga and Vid. Manjunath on ghata, Sri Ramakrihna Ashrama's auditorium, Yadavagiri, **5 pm.**

Rangayaana Trust, Mysuru: Bharataranga-2017, Folk and Theatre Songs programme, **5 pm;** Valedictory, playback singer Usha Kokhila chief guest, retd. UoM VC Prof. K.S. Rangappa presides, Mime Demo by Mysuru Mime Team, **6.30 pm;** Play 'Chitrapata,' Mini-Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.**

Nritya Samskruti Natyashale: Inauguration of the School by Vid. Ramu Kanagal (son of Puttanna Kanagal), Avadhoota Datta Peetham Junior Pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji graces the occasion, Vidu. Mithra Naveen presides, Kalamandira, **5.30 pm.**

Vikas Integrated Developers Trust and Mysuru Kuruhina Shetty Associations: Prize distribution ceremony of 'Kuruhina Shetty Vikas Cup 2K17,' State-level Badminton Championship, Mysore University Indoor Courts, **5.30 pm.**

Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, Mysuru: Vocal recital by Maharajapuram Ramachandran, accompanied by C.N. Chandrashekar on violin, H.S Sudheendra on mridanga and G.S. Ramanujam on ghata, Sabha premises, JLB Road, **5.30 pm.**

Muzurai Department, Government of Karnataka: Shri Sitharamara Kalyana Mahotsav, cultural programmes, violin recital by Master Sumanth Manjunath and troupe, **5.30 pm;** 'Layalahari' instrument ensemble by H.L Shivashankaraswami and troupe, Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Palace North Gate, **6.30 pm.**

Champaka Academy: Workshop in Karnatak music, Vid. S. Shankar expounds on the nuances of Raga Kamach, Valedictory, Dr. R.N. Srilatha presides, Academy premises, #1609, Vishwamanava Double Road, 1A Cross, 3 Main, E & F Block, Ramakrishnanagar, **6 pm.**

Santhome Institute of Language, Jayalakshmipuram: Inauguration of the institute by Mar Anthony Kariyil, Bishop of Mandya, Mandya Regional Director Rev. Fr. Francis Kureekal, Mandya Diocese Proto Synecellus Rev. Fr. George Alukka, HoD of Foreign Language-UoM Prof. Gajanan, *Mysooru Mithra* New Editor Mahadev and Advocate Kantharaj guests of honour, Institute premises, **6 pm.**

Noopura Kalavidaru Samskrutika Trust: 20th Nritya Aradhana - A special dance programme in memory of K. Vanajakshamma, former Mayor B.L. Bhyrappa chief guest, industrialist and art patron K.V. Murthy presides, Natyacharya Prof. K. Ramamurthy Rao will be present, Veene Seshanna Bhavan, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **6.15 pm.**

Concoction events [Mob: 9886218553]: 'LOL again Mysore,' two-hour comedy show by comedians Sundeep Rao, Satish Perumul and Rupen Paul, The Quorum Hotel, Vinoba Road, **6.30 pm.**

Rangayana: Staging of play 'Shikhari,' Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

Ganabharathi: Dance programme by students of Noopura Dance School in memory of Jayalakshmamma, Ganabharathi, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **6.30 pm.**

Carmel Catholic Association (CCA), N.R. Mohalla: Valedictory of Silver Jubilee Year Carol Singing Competition-2017, Rev. Dr. K. A. William, Bishop of Mysuru Diocese, chief guest, DCP (Law & Order) N. Vishnuvardhana guest of honour, Rev. Fr. Joseph Edakkery, Advisor, CCA, presides, Maharaja's College Centenary Hall, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC.11)

Tamil Nadu Handloom Weavers' Co-operative Society Ltd. (Co-optex): Exhibition-cum-sale of handloom products, Madhava Shenoy Hall, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), JLB Road, **10 am to 8 pm.**

Builders Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre: MyBuild-17 Expo, **10 am onwards;** Valedictory, Maharaja's College Grounds, **5 pm.**

Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya (IGRMS), Southen Regional Centre (SRC), Mysuru and Anthropological Survey of India, SRC, Mysuru: Deepam - A Special Exhibition on Lamps, Anthropological Survey of India-Mysuru President Prof. Promod Kumar Misra inaugurates, **11 am;** National Workshop on 'Tribal Healers' and Exhibition of Tribal Medicines, IGRMS, SRC Wellington House Irwin Road, **11 am to 6 pm.**

On Sri Mahadeshwara Charitable Foundation: Inauguration of the Foundation by MLA M.K. Somashekar, MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar presides, #2837, 1st Main, Pampapati Road, Jayanagar, **11 am.**

Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti, Jayalakshmipuram: Discourse on 'Sangraha Ramayana' by Vid. Nagarahalli Raghavendrachar, Samiti premises, **5 pm to 6.30 pm.**

Muzurai Department, Government of Karnataka: Shri Sitharamara Kalyana Mahotsav, cultural programmes, Bharathanatya by Ranjani Music and Dance School - Mysuru, **5.30 pm;** Harikathe by Kalidasa and troupe, Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Palace North Gate, **6.30 pm.**

Ganabharathi: Veena recital by veena artistes of three generations — Vid. M.K. Saraswathi along with her daughter Vid. Rajyashree Josyer Srikanth and granddaughter Aishwarya Manikarnik, Ganabharathi, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

Numismatic Society Medal to Prof. AVN

Mysuru, Dec.10- Prof. A.V. Narasimha Murthy (AVN), former Head, Department of Ancient History & Archaeology, University of Mysore, has been awarded Silver Medal by Banaras Hindu University-based Numismatic Society of India at its Annual Conference held at Goa last week. This medal has been awarded to Prof. AVN for his outstanding contributions to Indian Numismatics.

Prof. AVN

Prof. A.V. Narasimha Murthy, who is also the Chairman of Bharathiya Vidya Bhavan, Mysuru, has received many awards in the previous years but this medal is for his lifetime achievement in Indian Numismatics, according to Dr. Raja Reddy, Vice-Chairman, Hyderabad Numismatic Society of India.

Since Prof. AVN was unable to attend the Goa Conference, the medal will be presented to him during the 28th Conference of South Indian Numismatic Society to be held in Mysuru on Jan.6 and 7, 2018.

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